indicator lights in buses. The National Road Safety Week helped to emphasise the need for road safety and to increase the public awareness of its importance and the measures necessary for it.

National Highways in U.P.

240. SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Government have been neglecting Uttar Pradesh in the matter of declaring the State Highways as National Highways and have been ignoring the requests of the State Government in this regard;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) if the reply to part (a) above be in the negative, what are the details of the requests made by the State Government during the last three years for the above purpose and how many of the above requests have been acceded to by the Central Government so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) No, Sir. In the Sixth Five Year Plan about 285 Kms. road length was added to the National Highways network in Uttar Pradesh bringing the total kilometerage in the State to 2613. The emphasis in Seventh Plan has been on improvements and further development of the existing National Highways network. *A total of Rs. 108,98 crores* has been spent for this purpose in Seventh Plan upto February, 1989.

(c) During the Seventh Five Year Plan period, the Uttar Pradesh Government projected eleven States roads for being declared as National Highways, as shown in the Statement. (*See* below). However, it has not been possible so far to include any of these in the National Highways network owing to limitation of resources and other priority considerations.

Statement

The roads forwarded by the Uttar Pradesh Government in VII Plan for being classified as National Highways

S. No.	Name of the Road
1	L.R.P. Road (Bareilly-Amingaon)
2	Lucknow-Raibareilly-Allahabad-Mirzapur-Robertsganj-Chopan-Duddhi-Ranchi Road.
3	Lucknow-Sultanpur-Ara-Patna Road.
4	Lucknow-Bachhrawan-Lalganj-Fatehpur-Banda-Sagar-Bhopal Road.
5	Pilibheet-Haridwar-Pontanahan-Ambala Road.
6	Ghaziabad-Meerut-Haridwar.
7	Gwalior-Jhansi-Khajuraho-Rewa.
8	Gorakhpur-Nautahwa.
9	Raipur-Varanasi.
10	Ghazipur-Balia-Chhapra-Hajipur.
11	G.T. Road (Ghaziabad-Aligarh-Kanpur).